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PROCESSOR DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

1. Clean Room. [] was given authorization to proceed by [] on the modular sections on July 23, 1964. The [] people [] the local representative and [] [] from the [] plant) were at [] last week to firm up the floor plan. They will be back to [] next week to go into more detail.

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[] said the [] people thought an internal air shower beside the air lock between rooms was unnecessary. They sent him a letter to this effect and [] is planning to contact [] about it. The price of the clean room was about [] excluding that particular air shower. [] will add the air shower for an additional [] if it is necessary. I guess [] completely missed the point of why George wanted that air shower. I believe that for a 5% increase in cost it greatly increases the flexibility of the installation.

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[] is working full time on setting up the lab. He has set up processing labs several times before. He has started the work on the in-house pre-architectural drawings for the building preparation for the clean room. [] reports to [] who is Manager of Research. [] I suggested he send their resumes in to George.

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2. SAC HTA-3A. [] says that [] at SAC Hqs., Omaha, has an HTA-3A at [] for overhaul, and he doesn't have any place to use it yet. [] suggests that it be put in your clean room at [] alongside the HTA-5 and used in the research program. It would be very valuable as a comparative control standard for roller processing versus air bearing processing and for spray versus deep tank processing under identical conditions. [] also says that

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there is a good chance that [] would put some money into the program. The clinching argument and the one that I think is probably the most important is that SAC can provide a source of film for the test program. Otherwise, I suspect that film would be a big bottleneck by the end of the year.

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If you want to include the HTA-3A in the research program, call [] and tell him. [] will then arrange all the bailment details with []. It sounds like a good idea to me if there are no organizational problems.

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3. Film. [] has an offer of 1,000 rolls of 8430, 9-1/2 in. x 500 ft. from [] if he can put it to good use. Sully feels strongly that both [] film should be checked out. He said that SAC got much better quality on the Golden Tree project when they changed to [] 228K for their duplicates.

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